

HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Site No. 184-N OAHP No. _____ Date Recorded 13-Feb-95
Site Name Historic Plant Service Power House
Common _____
Field Recorder Philip M. Bogen, Evaluator: Darby Stapp
Owner's Name U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office
Address P.O. Box 550
City/State/Zip Code Richland, WA 99352

Status

- ☒ Survey/Inventory
☐ National Register
☐ State Register
☐ Determined Eligible
☐ Determined Not Eligible
☐ Other (HABS, HAER, NHL)
☐ Local Designation

Photography

Photography Neg. No. 94010643-27cn
(Roll No. & Frame No.)
View of West Corner
Date Jan. 1995

Classification ☐ District ☐ Site ☒ Building ☐ Structure ☐ Object
Distric Status ☒ NR ☐ SR ☐ LR ☐ INV
Contributing ☒ Non-Contributing ☐
District/Thematic Nomination Name Hanford Site Manhattan Project and Cold War Era Historic District

Description Section

Materials & Features/Structural Types

Building Type Industrial
Plan Rectangular
Structural System Steel Frame
No. of Stories 4

Roof Type

☐ Gable ☐ Hip
☒ Flat ☐ Pyramidal
☐ Monitor ☐ Other (specify) _____
☐ Gambrel
☐ Shed

Cladding (exterior Wall Surfaces)

- ☐ Log
☐ Horizontal Wood Siding
Rustic/Drop ☐
Clapboard ☐
☐ Wood Shingle
☐ Board and Batten
☐ Vertical Board
☐ Asbestos/Asphalt
☐ Brick
☐ Stone
☐ Stucco
☐ Terra Cotta
☐ Concrete/Concrete Block
☐ Vinyl/Aluminum Siding
☒ Metal (specify) Corrugated
☐ Other (specify) _____

Roof Material

☐ Wood Shingle
☐ Wood Shake
☐ Composition
☐ Slate
☐ Tar/Built-up
☐ Tile
☐ Metal (specify) _____
☐ Other (specify) _____
☒ Not visible

Foundation

☐ Log ☐ Concrete
☐ Post & Pier ☐ Block
☐ Stone ☒ Poured
☐ Brick ☐ Other (specify) _____
☐ Not visible

Integrity

(Include detailed description in

Description of Physical Appearance)

	Intact	Slight	Moderate	Extensive
Changes to plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Changes to windows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Changes to original cladding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Changes to interior	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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LOCATION SECTION

Address 100-N Reactor Area, Building 184-N
City/Town/County/Zip Code Richland, WA/Benton County/99352
Twp. 14N Range 26E Section 28 1/4 Section NE 1/4 1/4 Sec SW
Tax No./Parcel No. _____ Acreage _____
Quadrangle or map name Coyote Rapids 7.5 min. series
UTM References Zone 11 Easting 303974 Northing 5172485
Plat/Block/Lot _____
Supplemental Map(s) 100-N Area Buildings



High Styles/Forms (Check one or more of the following)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Greek Revival | <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish Colonial Revival/Mediterranean |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gothic Revival | <input type="checkbox"/> Tudor Revival |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Italianate | <input type="checkbox"/> Craftsman/Arts & Crafts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Second Empire | <input type="checkbox"/> Bungalow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Romanesque Revival | <input type="checkbox"/> Prairie Style |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stick Style | <input type="checkbox"/> Art Deco/Art Moderne |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Queen Anne | <input type="checkbox"/> Rustic Style |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shingle Style | <input type="checkbox"/> International Style |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colonial Revival | <input type="checkbox"/> Northwest Style |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beaux Arts/Neoclassical | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Vernacular |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chicago/Commercial Style | <input type="checkbox"/> Residential Vernacular (see below) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Foursquare | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mission Revival | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial Vernacular |

Vernacular House Types

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Gable Front | <input type="checkbox"/> Cross Gable |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gable Front and Wing | <input type="checkbox"/> Pyramidal/Hipped |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Side Gable | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ |

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit Themes (check one or more of the following)

- ☐ Agriculture
- ☐ Architecture/Landscape Architecture
- ☐ Arts
- ☐ Commerce
- ☐ Communications
- ☐ Community Planning/Development

- ☐ Conservation
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Entertainment/Recreation
- ☐ Ethnic Heritage (specify) _____
- ☐ Health/Medicine
- ☐ Manufacturing/Industry
- ☐ Military

- ☐ Politics/Government/Law
- ☐ Religion
- ☐ Science & Engineering
- ☐ Social Movements/Organizations
- ☐ Transportation
- ☒ Other (specify) Manhattan Project & Cold War Era
- ☒ **Study Unit Sub-Theme(s) (specify)**
Cold War/Nuclear Fuel Production
Reactor Operations, Power Generation

Statement of Significance

Date of Construction 1964 Architect/Engineer/Builder General Electric/Burns and Roe

☒ In the opinion of the surveyor, this property appears to meet the criteria of the National Register of Historic Places.

☒ In the opinion of the surveyor, this property is located in a potential historic district (National and/or local).

AC power was supplied to the N Plant from two sources: offsite power originating from the Bonneville Power Administration via the Midway Substation (A Bus) and onsite power originating from the 184-N Plant Service Power House (B Bus). The 151-N Electrical Substation housed the A Bus transformer which converted the 230 kV from Midway to 13.8 kV for use at the N Plant. The A Bus supplied electrical power for start-up operations and supplied power when the reactor was shut down. Once the N Reactor was operating and producing steam, AC power was supplied via the onsite turbine generator located in the 184-N Building, which generated 13.8 kV for the B Bus.

The 184-N Building was the primary source for process steam and electrical power for routine and emergency operations at the 100-N Area. The building housed a 15,000-kV turbine generator which could be driven by either reactor-produced steam or by its own oil-fired 575,000 Btu/hr (7.96525 x E+08 Jules/hr) boiler. The building also housed air compressors and associated equipment.

This property is not associated with an important person (Criterion B), does not possess any distinctive architectural features or methods of construction (Criterion C), and does not qualify under Criterion D as the principal source of important information. However, the 184-N Building qualifies under Criterion A due to its association with the Cold War production of plutonium at N Reactor, and its contribution to Reactor Operations, specifically the Electrical System. Therefore, it is the conclusion of the U.S. Department of Energy that the 184-N Building is eligible under Criterion A for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing property within the Hanford Site Manhattan Project and Cold War Era Historic District.

Description of Physical Appearance

The 184-N Building is a rectangular, four-story, steel framed building with a poured concrete foundation, corrugated metal exterior wall surfaces, and a flat roof. It measures 112 ft by 96 ft by 70 ft (34.1 m by 29.3 m by 21.3 m); 11,328 ft² (1,052 m²). The building is no longer in use and no significant changes have been made to it.

The N Reactor UTM coordinates are as follows: Northeast corner - 303974E, 5172485N; southeast corner - 303974E, 5171639N; southwest corner - 303069E, 5171639N; northwest corner - 303069E, 5172485N.

Major Bibliographic References

Bechtel Hanford, Inc. 1994. *"Pre-Existing" Conditions Survey of Hanford Site Facilities* to be Managed by Bechtel Hanford, Inc. BHI-00221, Rev. 00, Phase II.
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